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MORE AFTERNOON CALIFORNIA NEWS HIGHLIGHTS

KILLERS--WITH MURPHY)

(FREMONT)--SENATOR GEORGE MURPHY SAID TODAY HE HAS DOUBTS THAT THE ASSASSINS OF PRESIDENT JOHN KENNEDY AND SENATOR ROBERT KENNEDY ACTED ALONE. MURPHY TOLD A GROUP OF REPUBLICANS IN FREMONT THAT HE STILL IS NOT CERTAIN WHY, AS HE PUT IT, "AN AMERICAN PRESIDENT AND HIS BROTHER WERE ASSASSINATED." HE LATER TOLD NEWSMEN, AGAIN IN HIS WORDS, "WHEN A YOUNG MAN GOES OUT TO BUY A GUN AND SHOOTS A SENATOR, YOU KNOW HE DIDN'T DO IT BY HIMSELF."

MURPHY REFUSED TO ELABORATE ON HIS COMMENTS.

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FREMONT (UPI)--SEN. GEORGE MURPHY, R-CALIF., SAYS HE IS NOT CERTAIN THE ASSASSINS OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY AND SEN. ROBERT F. KENNEDY WERE ACTING ALONE.

IN A SPEECH DURING HIS RE-ELECTION CAMPAIGN TUESDAY, THE SENATOR DECLARED: "AMERICANS AREN'T CERTAIN WHY AN AMERICAN PRESIDENT AND HIS BROTHER WERE ASSASSINATED--AT LEAST I'M NOT."

QUESTIONED BY REPORTERS, HE SAID LATER: "WHEN A YOUNG MAN GOES OUT TO BUY A GUN AND SHOOTS A SENATOR, YOU KNOW HE DIDN'T DO IT BY HIMSELF."

ASKED FOR ELABORATION, HE SAID ONLY: "IF YOU WANT TO WRITE THE SPEECH, YOU DO IT. ALL I AM SAYING IS THAT I AM NOT CERTAIN THAT YOUNG MAN DID IT ALL BY HIMSELF." HE REFERRED TO SIRHAN SIRHAN, CONVICTED OF KILLING SENATOR KENNEDY.

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